

NEW YORK CITY.

COURTS.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

**Suit Against the Western Coast Mutual Insurance Company.**  
A suit has been instituted against the Western Coast Mutual Insurance Company to recover a penalty provided by law for not cancelling twenty-one months on its policies.

**Police and Discharges in Bankruptcy.**  
During the week ending yesterday voluntary petitions in bankruptcy were filed by Franklin M. Sprague, Henry H. Dexter, Albert Elmsner, Louis Kinsner and Herman Wornis; and discharges in bankruptcy were received by John C. Anderson, James H. Jackson, John I. Bragg, George M. Muren and Richard Francis.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER'S COURT.

**Counterfeit Tobacco Stamps.**  
Before Commissioner Osborn.  
The United States vs. Volney Wright.—The defendant was arrested on a charge of dealing in counterfeit tobacco stamps. A number of these stamps, sufficient to stamp 38,000 pounds of tobacco, and which, if genuine, would have been worth about \$12,000, was found in his possession. The accused having been brought before the Commissioner, was held for examination under \$5,000 bail.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

**Decisions.**  
Before Judge Clarke.  
Brock vs. Smith et al.—Motion denied, without costs.  
Clark et al. vs. Friedlander et al.—Motion denied, with ten dollar costs.  
In the Matter of the Application of Benjamin C. Decker to be discharged from his bond.—Reference ordered to take proof.  
James M. Fleetwood vs. Patricia B. Fleetwood.—Report of referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted.

SUBROGATE'S COURT.

**Before Surrogate Tucker.**  
Wills admitted during the week ending Oct. 16: George Williamson, Lydia Clark, Mary Charles, Charlotte Woolsey, Sumner W. Bennett, Friedrich Schaefer, Rachel E. Sudman, Mary Jaeger, James Sadler, Thomas Joyce, David L. Key, Eusebius Dodge, Anthony Schneider.  
Letters of administration granted on estates of Eliza Breuninger, Otto Engleberger, Frederick C. Hadenman, Susan Hyman, Rachel Mohr, Robert O'Keefe, Daniel D. O'Keefe, Thomas Alford, Isaac V. Fowler, Sarah Van Kuren, Francis Doherty, Rebecca Doherty, Ellen Doherty, Mary Doherty, Laura M. Doherty, David Mooney, Henry Lyons, Laura M. Lyons, James Harely, Thomas Mooney, John Schaefer, Ellen Schaefer, Alexander Miller, George Bishop, Mary Gerstetter, Thomas Gerstetter, John A. Richter, Johann Hammond, George H. Millington, Caroline R. Macy.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

**A Target Party and the Police—Embezzlement—Hobbery.**  
In the Court of Special Sessions yesterday morning, before Judges Dowling and Kelly, the calendar contained only twenty-four cases, and those of the most ordinary kind—eleven for petty larceny, seven for assault and battery and the remainder for abandonment and gambling. The few cases of general interest are given below.

**A SCHIZOPHRENIC PARTY IN TROUBLE.**  
Frederick Hille, who was the captain of a target company that went out to spend the day at Union Park. Some proceedings of a disorderly character occurred, and officer Wright Anderson was taking one man away from the party. The defendant came up and remonstrated, and finally struck Anderson, knocking him down. The effect being kicked him when he was down. This was confirmed by another officer, who took Hille into custody. Mr. Hille appeared for the defendant, and called a large number of witnesses, endeavoring to prove that Anderson had struck the defendant with his club without any provocation. The Court was not of that opinion, and Hille was fined five dollars.

**EMBEZZLEMENT BY A BOY.**  
Peter Mathews, a boy, was charged by his employer, John McVeigh, of No. 389 Bowery, with embezzling ten dollars. McVeigh's employ only one day, and the last work he did was to collect ten dollars for Mr. McVeigh in appropriate bill. He was sent to the House of Reform.

**ATTEMPT AT POCKET PICKING AT CORTLANDT STREET FERRY.**  
Mary Ann Ward was charged with attempting to steal a pocketbook from Mrs. Ida C. Miller at Cortlandt street ferry. Mrs. Miller said she was busily engaged looking at a table when she felt a hand in her pocket. She grasped the wrist of the intruder, who proved to be Mary Ann Ward, the daughter of a man who was sent to the Penitentiary for three months.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

**THE WEATHER YESTERDAY.**—The following record will show the changes in the temperature for the past twenty-four hours in comparison with the corresponding day of last year, as indicated by the thermometer at the observatory, HERRICK BUILDING, corner of Ann street.

	1888.	1889.
2 A. M.	55	43
5 P. M.	60	55
8 P. M.	58	52
11 P. M.	55	50
Average temperature for corresponding date last year.	55	50
Average temperature for corresponding date this year.		51

**THE GREAT CATHOLIC FAIR** in the new Church of the Holy Family, Lexington avenue and Sixty-third street, will continue one more week.

**CHOTON BOARD.**—The Croton Aqueduct Board yesterday opened proposals and awarded contracts for regulating and paving numerous up town streets and avenues.

**VITAL STATISTICS.**—The returns made to the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Metropolitan Board of Health, show 414 deaths, 476 persons married, and 311 births for the week ending Saturday at noon.

**FELL DOWN A HAYWAGON.**—Patrick Hart, aged fifty years, dwelling at No. 229 West Nineteenth street, last night fell down a haystack of the three story building No. 125 West Eighteenth street and sustained very severe injuries.

**WONDERS OF THE POLAR CIRCLE.**—Mr. C. F. Hall, the Arctic explorer, will lecture at Steinway Hall to-morrow evening, under the auspices of the Geographical Society, when he will give an instructive description of his adventures in the North. Judge Charles F. Day will preside.

**A FEMALE CRUSHER.**—Yesterday afternoon Catherine O'Grady, of New Jersey, while on her way to visit a friend at No. 216 Cherry street, was caught between a truck and the steps of a warehouse. No. 255 Cherry street, and sustained serious injuries. She was taken to the hospital by her friends.

**COLLECTION OF TAXES.**—During the past week the Receiver of Taxes has collected the following amounts for taxes on personal estate:

	October 11.	October 12.	October 13.	October 14.	October 15.	October 16.	October 17.
Total	\$127,610	\$107,780	\$107,780	\$107,780	\$107,780	\$107,780	\$107,780

**THE CITY LICENSE BUREAU.**—The following licenses have been issued during the past week by Marshal Tucker—Pawnbrown; 1; junk cart; 1; coaches; 6; carts; 22; express wagons; 78; drivers; 4; vendors; 14; peddlers; 1; secondhand dealers; 25; total amount for license and fines, \$1,812. Refunded to various complainants, \$1,812.

**KILLED BY A TRUCK.**—James Grimes, a boy nearly seven years of age, died at the residence of his parents, 17 Goreck street, from fracture of the leg and other injuries received by being run over by a truck. A physician gave a certificate of death, but it was not honored by the Board of Health, and the case was referred to Coroner Keenan for investigation.

**ANNUAL ENTERTAINMENT IN AID OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ORPHAN ASYLUM.**—This was an interesting affair taken place on next Thursday afternoon, and evening, at the Academy of Music. Liberal preparations have been made by the managers, in order that the entertainment will meet with its usual gratifying success. The two grand attractions of charity and amusement are sure to draw crowds to the Academy.

**TAPPING A SHIP'S CARGO.**—Captain Todd, of the Harbor Police, reports that on the passage from Peru to this city with a cargo of India rubber, some of the crew of the schooner Franklin Treat, Captain Wood, broke into the cargo and stole \$100 worth, believing that they would be able to remove the rubber to the shore. As no effort was made to remove the rubber, the officer made a thorough search, and under the culled found the stolen property. As no person could be identified as the guilty party no arrest was made.

**DRAUGHT ON BLACKWELL'S ISLAND.**—Mr. James Owens, Warden of the Almshouse, Blackwell's Island, yesterday informed Coroner Schurmer that Maria Major, a colored woman, sixty-seven years of age, had been drowned. The body will be held on information. The circumstances under which deceased was drowned did not transpire.

**Information.**—The body of a man, who was found on Blackwell's Island, died suddenly. An inquest will be held on the body by Coroner Flynn.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

**A POCKETBOOK SNATCHER CAUGHT.**—A young man named George Sheridan was yesterday arraigned before Justice Connolly, at the Yorkville Police Court, by detectives Toomey and Muller, of the Twenty-third ward, on a charge of snatching a pocketbook. The complainant was Catherine O'Brien, residing in Thirty-fifth street, near Third avenue, who stated that on Monday evening last, while she was walking on Second street, near Second avenue, a young man snatched her pocketbook, containing \$150, from her hands. Mrs. O'Brien identified the prisoner, and he was held for examination.

**ALLEGED THEFT OF SEWING MACHINES.**—A young man, named John Hines, was yesterday arraigned before Justice Shandley, at Essex Market Police Court, charged with stealing two sewing machines, valued at sixty-five dollars each. Mr. Robert Peete, of Fulton street, Brooklyn, was the complainant. Mr. Peete stated that sewing machines had been sent to Caroline Flynn, of No. 255 East Broadway, and Mary A. Costello, of No. 299 Livingston street. About the 5th of October the prisoner Hines called upon these ladies and, pretending to have a commission from the manufacturing company to regulate the machines, he removed both. The ladies since have neither seen the machines nor the prisoner till the arrest of Hines by the police. The Thirteenth precinct, Justice Shandley held the prisoner in default of \$500 bail in each case.

AMERICAN INTERESTS ON THE OCEAN.

**Cause of the Decline in Shipbuilding.**  
The Congressional committee appointed to investigate the causes for the decline in the American marine met again yesterday at ten o'clock in room No. 4, Custom House. There were present Hon. John Lytle, Chairman, and Messrs. Conkling, Calkins and Hotchkiss.

Mr. A. L. Low said he had always been in favor of protecting American interests. Our laws were framed with a view of protecting various industries, but they bear hard on this particular interest and are a burden on ships. There are various causes for the depression of the shipping interest. The depreciated currency tended to increase the cost of building ships and sailing them afterwards. The policy of England had given her a prestige. We had only one important line of steamers at present. He thought there was scarcely a law that did not inflict injury on our shipping interests. He was in favor of the policy of England being adopted here, he said, and explained the beneficial effect that would result if subsidies were given to steamers. He did not think that we could equal England in the construction of ships. England had always striven for supremacy in everything, and has driven our ships from the ocean by paying large subsidies. They protect their shipping interest by the shipping interest, and we do not. He thought that in favor of bringing English vessels here, and putting them under the American flag; for his own part he would like to see our mechanics encouraged, and that we should build our own ships. He thought we should be independent of foreign workmanship and skill. England can at present build much cheaper than we can undoubtedly, and purchasing ships abroad and putting them under the American flag would not change their foreign character to any great extent. We should adopt the policy of England, which maintains her steamers by subsidies, while we do not.

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SUBURBAN INTELLIGENCE.

NEW JERSEY.

**Jersey City.**  
**Excursion of the Police Guards.**—The Hudson River Police Guards went on their annual target excursion to Elm Park, Staten Island, yesterday.

**CAVING IN AN EMBANKMENT.**—The embankment which is being excavated on Newark avenue, on the hill, caved in yesterday and crushed a street car. The car was completely destroyed and was fractured. He was conveyed to the City Hospital.

**SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST A PHYSICIAN.**—Mrs. Rehill, who resided at No. 28 Railroad avenue, died on Thursday night, after being delivered of a child. Her husband now charges that the physician in attendance, Dr. George W. Cobb, charged her with a high character for integrity and honesty, and without informing him of his intention to do so. A short time previous to her death the physician, it is alleged, stated that there was no danger, but he soon after changed his mind. Mr. Rehill calls for a Coroner's inquest.

**DISORDER AND CONUSION IN THE CAMP.**—No sooner were the names of the fortunate candidates announced at the democratic convention on Friday than the defeated managers set about removing their fortunes by carrying to convention and framing "Independent" slates. These so-called independents are quite numerous. The nomination of John Kennedy, City Clerk of Hoboken, for County Clerk, and of Alderman Harrington, of Hudson City, for Sheriff, is considered unexceptionable, both these men being a high character for integrity and efficiency. No better nominations could be made. For the rest of the ticket the selection was anything but happy. The party in power, however, is content to complain that the ticket is monopolized by the Irish, and their complaint is but too well founded. Accordingly there were caucuses and meetings all over the county yesterday, some before the Irish, and some before the English. A meeting was held last evening in Grand Street Hall, but which was a failure. There were a few individuals from the First ward of Jersey City the attendance dwindled away. One speaker declared, in substance, that the convention was a failure, and refused to nominate his favorite was rotten. The remark brought down the house, but the speaker was not serious and could not be taken seriously. Another meeting was held by the Germans in Cooper's Hall. The Germans of Hudson City were disappointed, and were angry. A motion picture was started yesterday with George W. Cassidy for County Clerk and Major Mount for Sheriff. All the bitterness and spleen will pass away. It is expected that the party in power will hold their primaries on Tuesday evening.

**Commonlaw.**  
**THE STOCK YARDS.**—During the past week 310 cars arrived at the Stock Yards, containing 7,083 cattle, 10,290 hogs and 13,901 sheep. There were slaughtered 757 cattle, 10,290 hogs and 13,901 sheep.

**Bergen City.**  
**RAID ON THE LIQUOR DEALERS.**—A large batch of warrants were issued yesterday by Recorder Matthews for the arrest of several parties who keep gambling without a license. There are many persons who applied for license to the Common Council Committee and were refused, without any reason being given. The police are now raiding the houses of the city entirely from the liquor element. With such fanatical ideas it is little wonder that even men who were respected for their honesty and integrity are being raided. The fine in each case is fifteen dollars, but the full penalty will not be inflicted except in cases where no application was made for a license.

**Newark.**  
**THE RECENT RAILROAD ACCIDENT.**—The body of the man who was killed on the New Jersey Railroad, by a locomotive, near Waverly, on Friday night, was identified yesterday afternoon as being that of Hugh McMahon, a brakeman on the Central Railroad, and a resident of Elizabeth. He was only twenty-three years of age and leaves a wife and two children. The body was recovered from the wreckage of the train, and was taken to the morgue. The train was started for Elizabeth in a semi-intoxicated state, and got on board a train without being provided with a ticket. The train was stopped at Waverly, and the body was recovered from the wreckage of the train, and was taken to the morgue. The train was started for Elizabeth in a semi-intoxicated state, and got on board a train without being provided with a ticket. The train was stopped at Waverly, and the body was recovered from the wreckage of the train, and was taken to the morgue.

**COCKNEY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.**  
The democratic convention to nominate candidates for county officers to be elected on the second day of next month was held at Liberty Hall, in this city, yesterday afternoon. There was a full attendance of delegates, as well as a large crowd of spectators. The speakers were Mr. Andrew A. Smalley, who was chosen to preside, Messrs. W. D. Roulton and J. W. Fletcher acted as secretaries. For State officers the following names were nominated: John C. Little, John H. Meeker, David Anderson and Joseph Booth were offered, but after several hours of discussion they were all rejected. The names of John C. Little, John H. Meeker, David Anderson and Joseph Booth were offered, but after several hours of discussion they were all rejected. The names of John C. Little, John H. Meeker, David Anderson and Joseph Booth were offered, but after several hours of discussion they were all rejected.

**THIRTEEN LOCOMOTIVES IN ONE WEEK.**—Some idea of the locomotive business of Paterson may be conceived by the announcement that thirteen have been shipped from the Paterson shops in the past six days.

**DON'T WANT IT.**—Dr. W. S. Courson, nominated for Assembly from the Third district of Passaic county, has declined the nomination.

**DIED OF HER INJURIES.**—The young woman, Maggie Rogers, who had both legs cut off by a freight train on Thursday evening, as already reported, died of her injuries on Friday.

**LAYING A CORNER STONE.**—Yesterday afternoon the Mayor, assisted by several members of the Common Council, laid the corner stone of the new Almshouse, near this city. The Almshouse Company have been authorized to borrow \$12,500 to complete the structure.

**HABAS CORPUS.**—James Murphy, charged with feloniously assaulting a man named Sweeney with a hammer, was brought up on a writ of habeas corpus, before Chief Justice Beasley, on Friday afternoon, and discharged on giving \$5,000 security to appear for each count of the charge. The injured man, though not expected to receive any benefit, was somewhat better yesterday.

**REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.**—The Mercer County Republican Convention met in Princeton, about five miles from Trenton, yesterday afternoon, and nominated Israel Howell, of this city, for Surrogate, and John H. Cox, of Princeton, for Sheriff. Cox is a democrat, but by the usage of both parties each Sheriff is allowed to remain in office for two years.

**ALLEGED PARITY.**—A respectable man named Joseph Tatum, who was engaged last week in a civil suit in the Mercer County Court, was arrested on Friday afternoon and charged with having falsely sworn that a certain bill due had not been paid, when, it is alleged, it had. Tatum pleaded not guilty to the charge, and gave bail in the sum of \$5,000 to answer at the next term of the county court.

**RECOVERY OF STOLEN PROPERTY.**—On Friday a wagon and team worth \$600, the property of a man named Thomas Beattie, were stolen from Robin's wharf in Pennsylvania, near Bordentown. Information was received by the Mercer County Sheriff, and a man named John Rainbow was observed driving the team down Front street. When he was being pursued by the horse and carriage he was taken to a warehouse, and the team was recovered. The man was taken to the Mercer County Jail, and the team was returned to its owner.

**STATE PRISON ITEMS.**—The new wing of the State Prison, designed for an additional industrial department, has reached the second story, and work is being vigorously pushed forward. Over 300 men are now employed in the shop shop, who turn out upwards of 1,200 pairs of shoes daily. For their services the State receives from the contractors sixty cents a day for each pair of shoes made. The institution at present is in a very crowded condition, and will receive a large accession before the fall term of the court. It is rumored that this overcrowding will afford a pretext to the Court of Pardons for an undue extension of the pardoning power during the session of the court in November and December.

**LONG ISLAND.**  
**STUCK BY LIGHTNING.**—During a severe thunder storm, a few days since, a barn belonging to A. J. Robinson, at Eastport, was struck by lightning and nearly demolished, and a valuable horse killed.

**NEW CHURCH AT RIVERHEAD.**—Work was commenced during the past week on a new Methodist Episcopal church at Riverhead. The new building is to be a fine specimen of architecture, and will cost about \$10,000.

**REMOVED CAPTURE OF THIEVES.**—It is rumored that two persons supposed to have been concerned in the late Huntington robbery have been captured. The authorities are keeping them in custody, in order to keep the public in hopes of capturing the rest of the party.

**SUSPICIOUS VESSEL IN GARDEN'S BAY.**—On Thursday two suspicious looking steamers, supposed to be Cuban privateers, were anchored in Garden's Bay, one coaling from the other. The revenue cutter George W. Cobb, of the New York and Theodore Fitzhugh have been appointed commissioners by the Supreme Court.

**SEVERE ACCIDENT.**—A laborer, named Patrick Carroll, while at work in a quarry at West Morris, last Friday, had one of his legs crushed and mutilated in a shocking manner by the falling of a rock weighing upwards of two tons. He was removed to Bellevue Hospital.

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WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

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**AIRRAILS AT SING SING PRISON.**  
**A Runaway Convict Shot—Noble Attempt at Suicide—Another Escape.**  
Patrick Kavanagh, one of the three convicts who escaped from Sing Sing Prison by seizing a powder boat during the month of September, 1888, was recaptured at Haverstraw, whether he had ventured to see his wife and family last Thursday. On the following day he was escorted to Sing Sing by Constable Buchanan and an assistant, but after arriving at the railroad depot Kavanagh was by a desperate man, managed to slip the handcuffs from his wrists and once more essayed to escape by running. He was followed by a crowd of people, and the convicts drove in the wake of the fugitive fired six shots at him, one of which took effect in his back, inflicting a severe and perhaps mortal wound. Kavanagh was conveyed to the prison hospital, where all efforts to extract the ball have failed. Should the wounded man recover, he will be sentenced to the term of his term of sentence for the crime of grand larceny.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

**SALE OF THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.**  
The weekly statement of the associated banks is without decided feature. The amount of the loans has been decreased and the reserve increased it is not unfavorable, and the banks are stronger for the business of the ensuing week than they were last Saturday. The gain in reserve, however, is less than a hundred thousand dollars, but as the deposits have fallen off half a million the addition to the surplus beyond the legal reserve is over \$138,000. Two of the changes are inexplicable. The specie has fallen off about a million and the legal tenders increased a million. As the government sold three millions of gold during the week and the banks sent large shipments of currency to the South in return for cotton the specie should have increased and the legal tenders decreased. Doubtless there are under currents in the general flow of business which have occasioned this transposition. The following are the statements of this week and last—

	Oct. 8.	Oct. 15.
Loans	\$250,749,974	\$248,537,384
Specie	21,513,526	20,383,070
Circulation	54,178,925	54,217,114
Deposits	171,214,875	173,044,585
Legal tenders	52,917,588	53,225,274

The changes are as follows:—  
Decrease in loans.....\$22,212,590  
Decrease in specie.....1,114,456  
Increase in circulation.....138,289  
Decrease in deposits.....17,829,710  
Increase in legal tenders.....1,211,616  
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